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# **INNOVATIONS**

## Lightning Round

Joseph Spossey – RE Innovations LLC DW24 – Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024



#### WHO WE ARE

- RE Innovations LLC
  - Wind turbine type testing & certification advisory
  - Formed in April 2019
- 1 Simple Goal → Clear Path to Certification
- My Background
  - 10 years at Intertek, 2009 2019
  - 18 years wind turbine related experience
  - Accreditation, International Standardization, Testing, Certification and Advisory Services
  - Currently engaged as MT2 IEC 61400-2 Secretary, MT12 IEC 61400-12-1 Annex H Topic Leader, ARESCA Member, ACP Wind Technical Standards Committee Member and UL STP 6142 Member
  - Customer and 3<sup>rd</sup> party wind turbine type testing expert
- Our Team
  - Network of experienced independent wind professionals
  - Full range of services supporting component and turbine OEMs and designers

## WHAT WE DO

- Distributed Wind Services
  - Certification Plans or Guidance Documents
  - Assistance for, or participation in, grant proposal opportunities such as CIP, SBIR, and others
- Wind Turbine R&D Services
  - DLC Calculations Simulation Modeling and Simplified Methods for various sizes / archetypes
  - Power Curve and Annual Energy Production Determination
  - Electrical Product Conformity and System Specifications
- Standardized & Custom or Prototype Type Testing
- Wind Turbine Certification Support
  - Small Wind Turbines ACP or IEC 61400-2
  - Medium Wind Turbines ACP, IEC 61400, and IECRE
  - Design assessments for design conformity
- Certification Project Management
  - Product or System Certification planning, scoping and guidance
  - Gap analysis and documentation assistance
  - Manage / Liaise directly with CB
- Other Services
  - Project / Offshore Wind Turbine Evaluations & Due Diligence
  - Accreditation and Audit Support Services
  - And more!



- 48 Projects in 5 years
- 33 Customers
  - 22 US & Territories / 11 International
  - 13 Current or Previous CIP, SBIR, or other NREL/DOE
  - 1 active NREL Subcontract, SUB-2023-10216
    - <u>DW Certification Best Practices Guideline is now public,</u> <u>check our website for a direct download of the !!</u>

Certification Plan > Aeroelastic Model

Design Review



Certification

#### IMPROVED COMPANY WEBSITE



#### www.reinnovationsllc.com





#### CURRENT PROJECT

- Kodair Wind Designs KW30 & KW20
  - Test site assessment and development in Ireland
  - Full Aero Elastic Model
  - ACP/IEC Type Testing for ACP 101-1 and IEC Certifications

#### Completed Type Testing

• KW30 & KW20 Power Performance



KW30 & KW20 ACP 101-1 Duration



- In Progress Type Testing
  - KW30 & KW20 IEC 61400-2 Duration

Class II	Wind	<b>Power Production Hours Required</b>	Complete / Incomplete
> cut in	n/a	2500	Incomplete
1.2Vave	10.2 m/s	250	Complete
1.8Vave	15.3 m/s	25	Complete
2.2Vave	18.7 m/s	0.16	Complete



### CIP/DOD PROJECTS UPDATE

 COMPLETED - Sonsight (x2) – CIP Proto Testing (Power and Acoustics) and Aero Model Blade Optimization Study



- IN PROGRESS 90 kW HAWT DOE CIP Prototype testing
  - Full ACP 101-1 Type Test Reporting / Electrical Certification Advisory Services
- IN PROGRESS 100 kW HAWT DOE CIP Certification & Listing
  - UL 1741 Inverter Listing Certification Advisory Services
  - Design, Components and Test Compliance Review
- IN PROGRESS 20 kW and 2 kW Novel Prototype Testing under DOD project
  - Prototype Design and Testing (x2)
  - Test site development





## NEW PROJECTS

- IN PROGRESS 80 kW VAWT Australia
  - Certification Advisory Services
  - US, EU and AS market evaluations

#### • IN PROGRESS – 2.5 kW Novel – Europe

• Certification Advisory Services – advisory support

#### • IN PROGRESS – 3.7 kW VAWT – Europe

- Certification Advisory Services
- IEC design evaluation
- Electrical review
- Type test review

#### IN PROGRESS – 75 kW VAWT – United States

- Full ACP 101-1 Test Site Setup and Type Testing
- Design conformity evaluation
- IN PROGRESS 50 kW VAWT NE United States, Engineering University
  - Siting and Safety Guidance for Demo Site
  - Training tool for students



## STANDARDS UPDATE

- American Clean Power Association (ACPA)
  - ANSI/ACP 101-1 for turbines up to 150 kW Peak Power; December 2021
  - Amendment 1 for ACP 101-1 to be Submitted to Ballot Q1 '24 to ACP WTSC:
  - New reference to IEC 61400-2 for control and protection system design
  - New clause clarifying validation test requirements for each size category, within Strength and Safety
- IEC TC88 Maintenance Team 2 (MT2) Safety of Small Wind
  - Changing our scope and size, we're now "Micro, small and medium wind turbines"
  - Micro < 5 m<sup>2</sup> Small > 5 m<sup>2</sup> and < 200 m<sup>2</sup>
- Medium > 200 m<sup>2</sup> and < 1200 m<sup>2</sup>
- Reducing Duration Test, similar to ACP 101-1
- IEC TC88 MT12 Maintenance of the IEC 61400-12 Series
  - IEC 61400-12-1 power performance
  - Annex H Small turbines lead
  - Updates including "Medium" turbines as defined in 61400-2
  - Simplified uncertainty analysis, more flexible requirements, and additional clarifications
- UL Standards Technical Panel 6142 Small Wind Turbine Systems
  - Subcommittee for revision Task Force
  - Active ongoing revisions and updates for next release in 2024
  - Ensure up to date requirements for components and subassemblies
  - Update Safety Related Control Systems requirements
  - Clarify Interconnection requirements
  - Update Manual Shutdown requirements and link to ACP 101-1 and 61400-2 shutdown









International Electrotechnical Commission







## WHAT'S NEXT FOR REI?

- Focus on DW inverter certifications and other DG products
- Revise and update DW Certification Guideline in Q4 2024
- ISO/IEC 17025 Accreditation preparations in 2024
- Growth! Are we hiring? Interested in working independently?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!

QUESTIONS?

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